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Ballooning publicity

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Stunt worth it to daredevil entrepreneur

Robson Fletcher
Metro | Calgary

Perhaps the most incredible thing about Dan Boria, who parachuted from a lawn chair suspended by more than 100 helium balloons high above Calgary, is that he's never seen the Disney movie Up.

"Everyone keeps asking that," he said Monday, hours after a daring publicity stunt that landed him briefly behind bars. "But I personally haven't seen the movie."

Boria, 26, was arrested "without incident" after landing Sunday evening, according to Calgary police, who charged him with mischief.

Insp. Kyle Grant said he had never seen anything like this in his policing career, but described the stunt as "very irresponsible."

Boria admitted he aimed to garner attention for his cleaning product company, flying with a banner bearing its web address — AllCleanNatural.ca — and said he was hoping to land on the Calgary Stampede grounds but missed his intended target, touching down instead in a "jagged, rocky" field to the southeast.

Despite a foot injury and the arrest, Boria said it was all worth it.

"It was the most unreal experience, ever," he said. "Looking down from above the clouds at everything was incredible, sitting by myself in a lawn chair."

Grant said Boria will "most likely" face a fine, rather than jail time, but the financial penalty could be substantial.

"When all is said and done, I think it would have been cheaper for him to rent a billboard."

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GOVERNMENT HANDOUT

Alberta Premier Rachel Notley served up pancakes at the annual Premier's Stampede breakfast in Calgary Monday. Afterwards, Notley had her first meeting with Prime Minister Stephen Harper. Story in metroNEWS. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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ANIMAL CRUELTY

Man in custody after cats injured

Calgary police say a man is facing charges after he allegedly strangled and dumped up to three kittens in a Forest Lawn garbage bin.

A utility worker called police when he found two cats dead and a third still alive — but under distress — in a dumpster. The young cat then made a run for it and hasn't been seen since.

The animal was last seen in the 2800 block of 14 Avenue SE, where the police apprehended a 75-year-old man, police said late Monday afternoon. His name cannot be released until charges are formally laid.

Staff Sgt. Travis Baker said they are looking at two animal cruelty charges.

"The cats did not belong to this person," he said. "They were somebody else's cats."

Police also found more than 15 rabbits living in "deplorable conditions" in the backyard of the man's home — believed to have been raised for food. Fourteen of the rabbits have been seized by the Calgary Humane Society.

Baker said the yard was littered with feces. The rabbits had infections and some had gone blind from the unsanitary conditions.

Traps have been set up to catch the missing cat and residents are encouraged to look in their yards for the animal.

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Accused murderer kept dating profile up

INVESTIGATION

Employees say they saw Burgess with other women

Lucie Edwardson
For Metro | Calgary

Just two months after Shannon Burgess (née Madill) went missing, her husband Josh Burgess was frequenting the 7-Eleven near their home with other women, according to employees at the store, where Shannon once worked.

Lisa Ruttan, store leader at the 7-Eleven on Spiller Road, said she felt uneasy around Josh after Shannon disappeared last November.

"I talked to him every day that he was here and asked him how things were going, how he was or if they had any new news," Ruttan added. "And he was just kind of emotionless."

On Sunday, police announced they had recovered Shannon's body from the couple's Ramsay residence and had charged Josh with second-degree murder.

Ruttan said she was especially caught off guard by Josh's behaviour when he showed up at the convenience store with a different girl while the search for Shannon was still in full swing.

Joshua Burgess, 29, is charged with second-degree murder in connection to the death of his wife, Shannon Burgess (née Madill). FACEBOOK

"His wife was missing and had only been missing for two months," she said. "It was weird."

Two other 7-Eleven employees confirmed Josh, whom they instantly recognized in a photo, frequently visited the store with other women.

Meanwhile, Burgess also maintained a dating profile on matchmaking site OkCupid.

Most recently active on May 9, Burgess's profile includes solo photos of him doing things like petting a dog and competing in a Spartan Sprint event, as well as a picture of him and Shannon.

His profile, which remained online Monday, states he is in an "open relationship," and seeking "new friends" or "short-term dating." His online name on the site is "JustJoshingYouEh."

Shannon had been last seen in the early morning hours of Nov. 27, 2014 at her home in the 1900 block of Spiller Road SE, and was declared missing Dec. 1 after she failed to show up for plans with family.

Staff Sgt. Colin Chisholm of the Calgary Police Service Homicide Unit said officers gathered information in the past week that shifted the case from a missing-person investigation to a homicide investigation.

"Part of the information we gathered over the last week or so led to the discovery of Shannon's body," he told reporters Sunday.

Chisholm said the body had been concealed somewhere at the residence for the last seven months, and police continue to investigate.

Ruttan said she was stunned by the fact Joshua had an online dating profile and was out with other women while Shannon's body was hidden at the home they shared.

"That was the most shocking part about that — he had seemed normal, I guess," she said.

Burgess had his first court appearance Monday and the case was adjourned to allow for police to hand over more information to the Crown prosecutor.

MUNICIPAL MATTERS

14 Street NW to get new valves

Expect minor traffic delays along 14 Street NW from 16 Avenue NW to John Laurie Boulevard NW, as the city starts to upgrade aging water valves along that street until September.

Tanner Fellinger of the city's water services department said the plan is to minimize bottlenecks, ensuring two-way traffic is maintained along 14 Street NW.

"At this time we don't anticipate any full closures of 14 Street northwest," he said.

The duration of the work at specific restoration sites will vary between one and 13 days, depending on how many valves need to be fixed. Signage will notify commuters of delays, Fellinger said.

Announced Monday, the 14 Street NW Valve Upgrade project will repair, replace or relocate aging valves to improve drinking water services to citizens in surrounding communities.

Temporary water lines and water wagons will be available to area residents and businesses during water service disruptions.

Should there be water-main breaks or other emergencies, the upgraded valves will allow the city to close those pipes more efficiently than before, Fellinger said. "We feel that it helps minimize any disruption to residents and businesses in the area."

Fellinger added the city will work quickly to repair the valves.

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The new scrolling signs at Chinook station now display the weather and news of the day.
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LRT platforms spread the news

TRANSIT

Updated displays to lead to notifications by phone app

Helen Pike
Metro | Calgary

Riders may have noticed the digital signs' sleek new look on Calgary Transit's LRT platforms.

What used to give riders information on the next train now has a scrolling display giving information on fare prices, weather, and delays.

Launched Friday, transit officials said these updated signs are the first in many steps toward bettering the customer experience.

"It just gives us a little more flexibility in terms of messaging," said Stephen Tauro with Calgary Transit. "Over the last couple of weeks we've been testing it and now it's live."

The Advanced Passenger Information Signs (or Next CTrain arrival signs), will all feature scrolling text on the bottom. Tauro said the text can be updated instantly.

Later this year, the scrolling text on displays is to be integrated with the Calgary Transit smartphone app's push notifications, which haven't been enabled yet, but should be rolled out after resources are allocated.

Tauro said features will include the ability to "favourite" a stop and opt in to notifications for specific stops.

"We input it in one source, and then it gets pushed to multiple channels," said Tauro. "So it's consistent, it's timely, all the channels are updated at the same time."

Andy Tylosky, an avid transit user, said he likes the updated displays and is excited to see what's next from transit.

"They look much better than the old design," Tylosky said. "It is something that they need to keep updated; the old messages that used to pop up like 'working to restore schedule' was incredibly vague and didn't tell you what is going on."

Tauro said the team is having a blast trying out the new layout, which is easily updated behind the scenes, and watching as customers react to friendly Calgary Stampede parade-day messages.

"People were loving it," said Tauro. "It just opens up that whole customer experience. It just gives it a little bit more."

IN BRIEF

Not enough money set aside for oilsands cleanup

Alberta's auditor general says the provincial government may not be requiring oilsands companies to set aside enough money to ensure their gigantic mines are cleaned up at the end of their life.

Merwan Saher says in a report that current rules allow companies to overestimate the value of their resources, allowing them to delay saving up to pay the huge costs of cleaning up a mine.

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CRIME

Police seek Calgary man over murder

Police are looking for a second Calgary man wanted in the shooting death of a young man who tried to get his cellphone back in London, Ont.

Officers say 24-year-old Mohamed Ibrahim Sail is wanted on a second-degree murder charge in the death of 18-year-old Jeremy Cook.

London police say his current whereabouts are unknown and he is considered dangerous.

Police say Cook was killed June 14 after tracking his cellphone to a car with three men inside and was shot multiple times when he grabbed the car as it began to drive away.

Another Calgary man, 23-year-old Muhab Sultan, was also wanted for murder but was found dead in the Rideau River on June 27 after police say he ran away from officers into the river and drowned.

Investigators say a third suspect has been identified but is not co-operating.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

CLIMATE CHANGE

Harper and Notley meet in Calgary

Climate change, pipelines and flood mitigation were on the agenda Monday as Alberta Premier Rachel Notley and Prime Minister Stephen Harper had their first formal meeting.

If there was tension between the NDP premier and the Conservative prime minister, neither let on. In a photo opportunity before the meeting, Notley asked Harper about how his Stampede had been so far and the two tipped their cowboy hats for the cameras.

After the meeting, Notley said it wasn't her impression that recent Alberta efforts to toughen the rules for large carbon emitters were a "huge irritant" for Harper.

"I think it's fair to say he acknowledged that some of the numbers that we put out had been floating around within the oil and gas boardrooms for a while," she said.

Last month, the Alberta government said it would require facilities that emit more than 100,000 tonnes of CO_2 to reduce their carbon intensity by 20 per cent in 2017, versus 12 per cent currently.

More than two years after floods hit much of southern Alberta, the two also delved into disaster relief and ways to mitigate similar events.

The money now available is "not a very large pot" at $200 million and the province has put in requests for $600 million, said Notley.

"So we know that there's some fairly major pressures for the flood mitigation projects here in Calgary and we also know that at the end of the day we save money by putting those mitigation efforts in place."

Earlier Monday, Notley had her first turn as head pancake flipper at the annual premier's Stampede breakfast in downtown Calgary. THE CANADIAN PRESS

CAR CRASH

Man killed after trying to avoid deer

A man was killed and a woman and an infant were taken to hospital after their vehicle rolled off a road south of Calgary Monday morning in an apparent attempt to avoid hitting a deer.

The single-vehicle crash happened on 178th Avenue near Coalmine Road in the MD of Foothills, according to Calgary EMS, who responded to the scene at about 8:40 a.m., along with responders from nearby Priddis.

"Paramedics determined an SUV was travelling along 178th ave when it rolled into a steep ditch alongside the road after attempting to avoid a deer," EMS said in a release.

The driver, a man in his mid-20s, was "partially ejected" and trapped under the vehicle as it rolled, according to paramedics, and was pronounced dead at the scene.

The other occupants of the SUV, a woman in her early 20s and a baby girl about two months old, were taken to Foothills Hospital in stable, non-life-threatening condition.

RCMP are investigating. METRO

'Balloon Guy' comes clean

Q & A

He did it to promote his cleaning business

Robson Fletcher
Metro | Calgary

This still image is taken from a video that captured Dan Boria's launch on Sunday evening, using dozens of helium-filled balloons to carry a lawn chair above the clouds. YOUTUBE/SCREENSHOT

How are you feeling today?
"I haven't slept. They let me out of prison and I've been doing interviews ever since."

Do you have skydiving training?
"I started skydiving just to do this. I had this idea, and it was a dream that kind of created an obsession."

Why use a lawn chair and helium balloons?
"When it started out, I was just going to skydive to the Stampede with a plane banner going by at the same time. And that resulted in me calling every pilot, every helicopter pilot, every hot-air-balloon pilot … and I even went as far as trying to bring up a guy on a work visa from another country, because it wouldn't matter if they took his licence away here. And then I found this."

What kind of lawn chair did you use?
"It was just a $19.95 green lawn chair from Canadian Tire."

How bad is your injury?
"I'm fine. It's just a foot injury. I don't know if it's broken or not. I can still limp around."

How did it go with the police?
"They were super nice and respectful. I was courteous to them, as well. They took it further than I thought they would but, at the same time, some of them just laughed and wanted to shake my hand."

What was your peak altitude during the flight?
"I know exactly how high I was but I can't release that information right now. But I had an oxygen tank up there with me."

Why can't you release that information?
"Just due to legal purposes, right now."

Are you from Calgary?
"I'm originally from Victoria, B.C. I moved to Calgary just for the opportunity."

THE BUCK SHOT SHOW

Some want statue for star

Nostalgic Calgarians who grew up watching The Buck Shot Show are hoping to honour the program's longtime star with an official statue.

"So many people just have so many wonderful memories," said Karen Durrie, who has launched an online petition calling on the city to commemorate Buck Shot, a.k.a. Ron Barge.

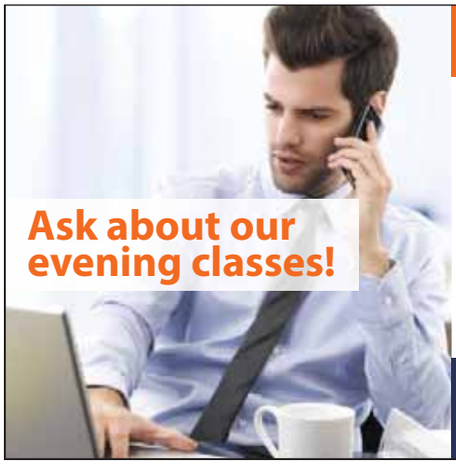
Noting his was the longest-running children's TV show in Canadian history (on the air from 1967 to 1997), the petition calls for a "statue of this generous, kind-hearted Calgarian who delivered so many smiles to the young people of our city for 30 years."

Durrie said Barge, 78, continued to perform live as Buck Shot as late as 2014 and again marched in the Calgary Stampede Parade this year.

"He has done a lot with local charities and other organizations, giving his time," she added.

The petition aims to gather 10,000 online signatures. ROBSON FLETCHER/METRO

Ron Barge starred in The Buck Shot Show on local Calgary television from 1967 to 1997. CONTRIBUTED



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He said, she said: the exciting rides

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A his and hers perspective of Stampede rides, rated out of 5 screams. The judges: Ashlea Fauteux, 29, and James Linden, 41.

3 Zipper

Ashlea: "If I could give it more than five I would. This classic ride is the perfect amount of crazy, fun and mind-blowing. It's my ultimate favourite — nothing will ever beat it." **5/5 screams**
James: "This is a classic and it's actually the first scary ride I remember from my childhood where I remember being thrilled. I don't like how it compresses your chest but it's worth it." **5/5 screams**

Starship 4

Ashlea: "I didn't know what to expect but all of the sudden it felt like my organs were climbing into my throat. It was a blast, but too much for the stomach." **3/5 screams**
James: "This ride has way too many spins for me. Blah. Not a fan." **2/5 screams**

1 Mach 3

Ashlea: "I love the height and the rush of how fast you go and it makes me feel free — but I don't like how long you have to wait to get on the ride." **4/5 screams**
James: "I would give this one more than five. I love the extreme velocity and you don't have to break the bank for this ride." **5/5 screams**

Remix 2

Ashlea: "This one was really hyped up, but it didn't live up to its potential. I felt like I was spinning in the middle of nowhere, though, which was cool." **3/5 screams**
James: "I like the G-force on this ride. It's really spinny so you never know if you're coming or going — you get lost on this one." **4/5 screams**

Mega Drop 5

Ashlea: "It's the first ride in a long time I've had that heart attack feeling while riding it. One second you're looking at the city view and the next second you're falling to your death." **5/5 screams**
James: "Don't eat mini doughnuts before this ride! This is an awesome ride, one of my favourites. You go so high and then fall so fast." **5/5 screams**

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Just a ticket away from dream home

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One family is a draw away from winning a $864K house

Krista Sylvester
For Metro | Calgary

Tekea Ghebre, left, and Amanual Ghebre purchase tickets for the 2015 Rotary Dream Home at the Calgary Stampede on Monday. CANDICE WARD/FOR METRO

It's easy to see why the chance of winning this year's Stampede Rotary Dream Home is just too good to pass up.

It's the 20th dream offering from Homes by Avi and this year's vision was to build a home that resembles an iconic farmhouse — and it's proving popular among visitors to the Calgary Stampede.

Many Calgarians are chomping at the bit for a chance to win the beautiful 2,340-square-foot home, which features three bedrooms and three bathrooms, to be located in the southeast community of Walden.

"Honestly, part of the reason we come here each year is to buy a few hundred dollars worth of tickets for the Stampede Lotteries. We haven't won yet but we're not about to give up trying," said Lance Mikkelson, as he stood in line to view the Rotary Dream Home.

And there is more to the Stampede Lotteries than this year's $864,000 dollar home. There are a total of $1.3 million in prizes waiting to be won, including cars, trucks and cash. In fact, it's being called bigger and better than ever by Stampede officials — but of course the ultimate prize is giving back to the community.

"The Stampede Lotteries programs are an integral part of the annual funding campaigns of our community partners," said Rick Kuzyk, chairman of the Calgary Stampede Lotteries committee.

Stampede Lotteries raises funds for the Calgary Stampede, a not-for-profit organization, and its youth and agricultural programs as well as the Stampede's two service partners — Kinsmen Club of Calgary and Rotary Club of Calgary South.

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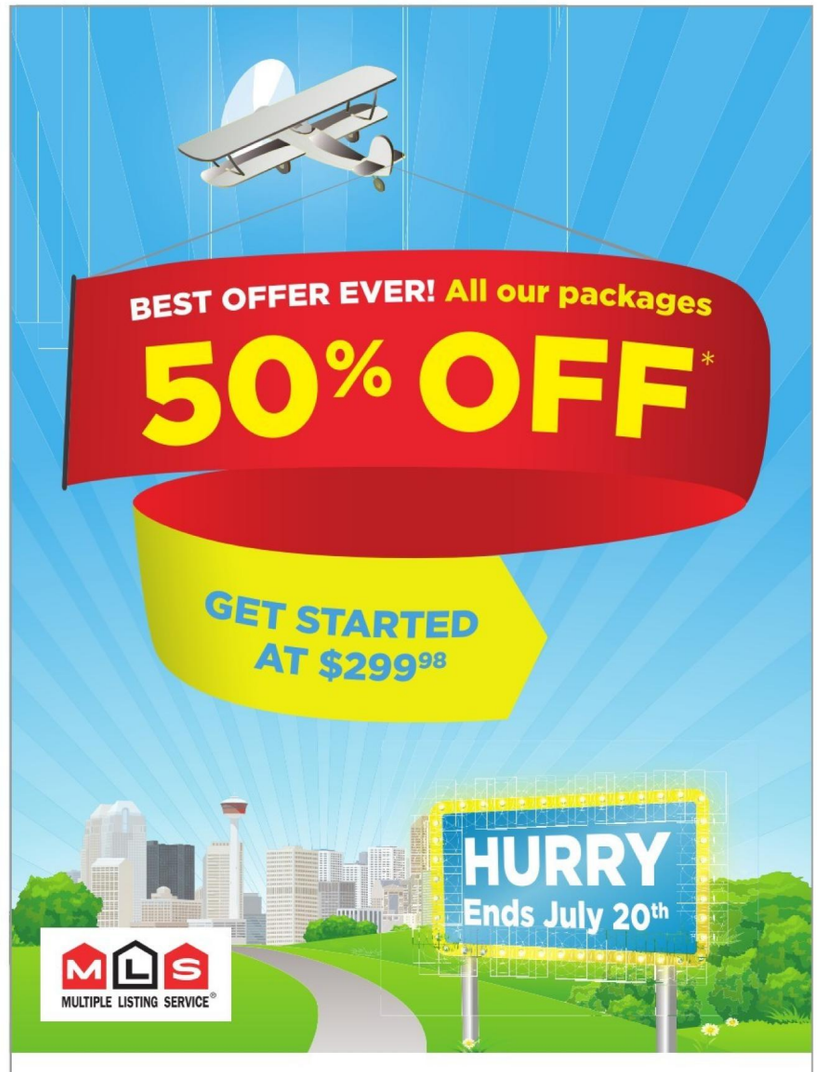

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A Stampede of artistry

WESTERN ART SHOW

Calgary native one of many diverse artists to be on display

Krista Sylvester
For Metro | Calgary

Kindrie Grove is working hard on a horse sculpture at this year's Western Art exhibit at the Calgary Stampede. CANDICE WARD/FOR METRO

Her current project will take 12 days to sculpt at 12 hours a day, but for artist Kindrie Grove, the finished piece is well worth the work.

And that doesn't even include the moulding, casting and bronzing steps that could add months to the process. But despite the time it takes, Grove takes an immense amount of pride in her finished pieces.

"It's like Christmas when I see the final pieces, because as much as I enjoy the sculpting process, seeing it in the metal is so rewarding," she says.

Grove is one of 50 diverse artists featured at the Calgary Stampede Western Art Show this year, and it's not her first rodeo, so to speak. Grove, who was born and raised in Calgary before moving her craft to Penticton, B.C., is showcasing her bronze sculpture and paintings for the fifth consecutive year.

She has been painting for 20 years and started sculpting 10 years ago because she enjoys being able to portray the animals in a three-dimensional art form.

"I enjoy coming here and being able to talk to people, it's really nice," she says. "Even with how long and hard the show can be to do, being able to show the work and see people appreciate it for what the artist put into it is rewarding."

> **"It's kind of immortal — it'll last forever and it can be passed down generations because it's so durable.**
> Kindrie Grove

Grove is currently working on a large horse sculpture and says visitors have been frequently checking in on her progress.

The Western Art Show has a long history at the Calgary Stampede, beginning in 1912. It gives artists a chance to showcase their work alongside other talented and diverse artists, both Canadian and American.

The Western Art Show runs daily from 11 a.m. until 11 p.m. at the BMO Centre for the duration of the Stampede.

COCA-COLA STAGE

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8:

Dora the Explorer Sing-Along Adventure: Fun for the whole family, and featuring live characters Dora, Boots and an MC, along with Swiper and the Big Red Chicken. 12:00 p.m., 2:30 p.m.

Terry Stokes: A longtime Stampede favourite, this popular hypnotist started on the stage in 1970 and has been a mainstay ever since. 1:30 p.m., 4 p.m.

Beat Drop: Canada's premier music production and DJing school, hailing from right here from Calgary and featuring the talents of 2014 Canadian Red Bull Thre3style champion DJ C-Sik. 3 p.m., 5:30 p.m.

OK Go: Formed as a quartet in Chicago in 1998, OK Go have spent their career in a steady state of transformation. Their latest album, Hungry Ghosts, is the alternative rock band's most recent foray into what happens when creative boundaries have all but dissolved. 9 p.m.

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Etsy brings crafts to Stampede grounds

RETAIL

Popular online marketplace connects vendors, buyers

Krista Sylvester
Metro | Calgary

If you're looking for something a little more unique in the BMO marketplace at the Calgary Stampede this year, you'll want to find your way over to Etsy.

Debuting at the Stampede this year, Etsy is connecting buyers to sellers and instead of doing it online in its usual home, Etsy Canada is coming right to buyers — thousands of them — at the Calgary Stampede.

Etsy is a global online marketplace for handmade and artisan items from all over the world and the Calgary Stampede is showcasing 19 local sellers, including the popular Fairgoods, which makes housewares and other cute items including shirts and bandanas with fun sayings.

"Our really popular sellers here are our Stampede bandana with a map of the grounds on it because it kind of makes fun of the Stampede in a fun way," Fairgoods brand director Shauna Hartsook said.

And the other most popular items from Fairgoods is the "jerk balloon" with sayings such as "I break stuff," "I poo my pants" and "I draw on walls."

"A lot of parents love to buy these for their kids and it's in a fun way shaming them or making fun of them for misbehaving," Hartsook added.

With 50,000 visitors passing through the BMO Centre daily over the 10-day event, it's a win-win for the vendors.

The Etsy marketplace offers visitors a chance to purchase something different and there is an assortment of goods including art, jewelry, pillows, clothing and more.

VIDEO

Supermodel promotes Calgary to Chinese tourists

He may be too tall to get on the rides — six-foot-five, if you're wondering — but Canadian-born actor and Asian supermodel Godfrey Gao is still having a blast at the Calgary Stampede.

And that's a good thing for Canada since the uber-popular Chinese superstar is making an online video to promote tourism in our country for Chinese viewers.

Gao is in the midst of a four-day visit to the Greatest Outdoor Show on Earth for the Canadian Tourism Commission's biweekly online video program watched by 22 million Chinese viewers.

"It's a way for me to explore this great Canada and promote tourism to the country," the Vancouver-born Gao said, adding it's also his first time in Calgary and to the Stampede.

Despite his own feet hurting from his brand-new cowboy boots, Gao is excited about his cowboy outfit.

Godfrey Gao
METRO

"I think when people watch it, they will want to experience the Stampede outfits because in Asia there really aren't any chances to dress up in Western cowboy wear, so I think the first thing they would do here is get all dressed up."

Gao can be seen on billboards and bus ads all over Asia. He is also known for his starring roles on Chinese TV dramas, such as Zhao Zi Long, and in last summer's blockbuster movie The Mortal Instruments: City of Bones.

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ENTOMOLOGY

Insects might have emotions: Studies

If you knew that pesky fly buzzing around your kitchen had feelings, would you still swat it?

According to a post on BrainBlogger.com, a number of recent studies show insects experience something akin to emotion, and may even possess empathy for their fellow bugs.

In one experiment, a colony of bees was subjected to a simulated badger attack (no, really) and then presented with two chemical scents: one designed to simulate food and attract the bees and another that typically repels them.

"Bees that had been shaken became pessimistic, glass-half-empty characters that were more likely to react to the nasty smell in the mixtures and recoil as opposed to being attracted to the yummy smell ... Unshaken bees on the other hand remained their more optimistic, glass-half-full selves and were more likely to see the mixtures as half-appetizing," wrote Dr. Carla Clark.

In another study, researchers found calm woodlice influenced the behaviour of their neighbours, causing other woodlice to become relaxed.

Neither study offers conclusive proof that insects experience emotion, Clark said, but the results should make you think twice before you roll up that newspaper or go searching for nearby shoe.

"With insect brains surprising even entomology experts in their extraordinary similarities with our own brains ... the similarities may be more profound than we would like to think," Clark said.

LUKE SIMCOE/METRO

> **We may be one step closer to comparing insects' experiences of feelings with our own.**
> Dr. Carla Clark

B.C. WILDFIRES TURN DEADLY Smoke from wildfires in the interior of British Columbia blanket downtown Vancouver on Sunday. Air quality advisories have been issued across southern Vancouver Island, the mainland coast, Metro Vancouver and the Fraser Valley. People with heart or lung problems or medical conditions such as diabetes, as well as the elderly and the very young, are urged to remain indoors and limit strenuous activity. JONATHAN HAYWARD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Feds soften up on bribery, laundering

ANTI-CORRUPTION

Ottawa makes changes to procurement rules, penalties

Ottawa has softened its anti-corruption rules, reducing the penalties for companies that are seeking government work after being convicted of bribery, money laundering and other offences.

Under the new procurement rules announced Friday, companies can still be barred from government contracts for 10 years if they have been convicted of such offences in the past three years.

But that ban can be cut in half if the company co-operates with authorities and takes remedial action.

Also, suppliers will no longer be automatically ineligible for government work because of the conduct of affiliates unless it can be demonstrated that the supplier had control over the convicted affiliate.

Canada's business lobby has been urging Ottawa to make changes to procurement rules it labelled as "draconian."

Public Works Canada says the new rules are fair, ensure due process and better align with international best practices.

SNC-Lavalin chief executive Robert Card has warned of the negative consequences for his company if the federal protocols used in awarding contracts weren't changed in light of the company's legal troubles. The company has been beefing up its compliance rules since improprieties surfaced three years ago.

The RCMP charged SNC-Lavalin and two of its subsidiaries with one count of fraud and one of corruption last February over its dealings in Libya.

The Montreal-based company has said it will plead not guilty to the charges but is willing to pay a fine for the alleged transgressions of former employees. The case will be back in court in October. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Companies can still be barred from government contracts for 10 years if they have been convicted of bribery, money laundering or other offences in the past three years.

CITIZENSHIP

New law has focus groups worried

Dual citizens say they're concerned the government's new powers to take away Canadian citizenship are stigmatizing certain communities.

Members of the Indian and Filipino communities in particular told the federal government during focus groups late last year they're worried about the long-term implications of the new law.

It allows the government to take away Canadian citizenship from any dual citizen found guilty of terrorism, treason and high treason, and spying for a foreign government.

The government argues the provisions are in line with what other countries are doing and those who commit such acts are disloyal.

But focus-group participants said the law has left them wondering whether they should drop their dual citizenship in case the rules eventually expand to encompass other crimes, putting their status as Canadians at risk.

This week at the United Nations, some human rights groups are raising the citizenship revocation powers as part of a discussion of Canada's compliance with international civil rights covenants.

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IN BRIEF

Manitoba woman, accused of hiding remains of six infants, faces fraud trial

A woman accused of hiding the remains of six infants in a Winnipeg storage locker is going to trial on fraud charges.

Andrea Giesbrecht is accused of defrauding Manitoba's Employment and Income Assistance, a payday loan company and an unnamed individual.

She also faces six charges of concealing a body in relation to the remains found last year.

Matt Gould, her lawyer, says they tried to negotiate a settlement with the Crown that wouldn't have involved jail time. He says it could take a year before the fraud charges make it to trial.

"We feel, as her defence, that it's inappropriate to add jail time to this type of charge. She was willing to acknowledge that paying (the money) back was appropriate," Gould said.

Court records show Giesbrecht, 41, was a gambling addict with a low-paying job at a fast food restaurant before she was arrested last October. THE CANADIAN PRESS

WINNIPEG

Accused bomber entangled in bitter divorce

Court documents show a man accused of sending letter bombs to Winnipeg lawyers and his ex-wife has been in a decade-long battle with his former spouse that includes accusations of theft, impersonation and a wedding ring being flushed down a toilet.

Police allege Guido Amsel, 49, became so enraged over perceived mistreatment at the hands of his former wife and lawyers who had been involved in the dispute, he sent explosive devices to their offices though Canada Post.

A lawyer was seriously injured when one of the bombs blew up at a firm on Friday. Police detonated two more devices over the weekend and warned justice officials that more could be found in the next day or so.

The situation has unnerved many city residents and prompted dozens of reports of suspicious packages. City hall and a nearby Canada Post office were briefly evacuated Monday.

Court documents show Guido Amsel and his wife, Iris Amsel, separated in 2004. They have a son, who was nine at the time.

Documents from the divorce proceedings show no unusual acrimony at first. Amsel and his wife owned a numbered company involved in automotive repair. The couple initially split shares in the company — Amsel later bought out his ex-wife — and Amsel was ordered to pay $500 a month in child support.

The divorce became bitter in 2010. Guido Amsel accused his ex-wife of siphoning more than $3 million from the company into hidden bank accounts prior to the divorce being finalized.

"It is my belief at the present time that during our cohabitation, the respondent secreted money to these accounts," reads an affidavit from Guido Amsel dated July 9, 2010.

"I am fearful that the respondent will transfer funds from these and any other accounts she may have to Germany and thereafter relocate there with the intention of keeping our son there as well."

Iris Amsel has denied all the accusations. Iris Amsel's lawyer was Maria Mitousis, who suffered severe injuries when the first letter bomb went off last Friday.

Guido Amsel was being held in custody pending a court date Tuesday. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Greece's future unclear after referendum 'No' win

DEBT CRISIS

Finance minister resigns to ease negotiations

Despite triumphing in a popular vote against austerity, Greece on Monday faced the urgent need to heal its ties with European creditors and reach a financial rescue deal that might prevent it from falling out of the euro — possibly within days.

Prime Minister Alexis Tsipras won big in Sunday's referendum, in which 60 per cent of Greeks rejected the economic measures creditors had proposed in exchange for loans the country needs to remain afloat. He also received the rare backing of opposition parties to restart bailout negotiations.

In a sign that he hopes to reach a deal as soon as possible, Tsipras appointed a new mild-mannered finance minister to lead talks with bailout creditors and replace Yanis Varoufakis, the hard-talking professor who clashed regularly with his European counterparts.

Euclid Tsakalotos, a 55-year-old economist, appears more willing to reach a compromise with creditors and will be tested as soon as Tuesday, when he will meet the other 18 eurozone finance ministers in Brussels.

That meeting is meant to seek the basis for a deal that European leaders, including Tsipras, might discuss at an emergency summit later in the day. Ahead of the summit, Tsipras spoke by phone with German Chancellor Angela Merkel.

Greece's financial situation is getting more difficult by the day. It had to close the banks last week to prevent their collapse in the face of a run, and imposed limits on cash withdrawals and transfers.

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Outgoing Greek Finance Minister Yanis Varoufakis is surrounded by media Monday, as he tries to leave following his resignation in Athens.

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SEX ASSAULT SUIT

Cosby admitted drugging women

Bill Cosby admitted in 2005 that he got Quaaludes with the intent of giving them to young women he wanted to have sex with, and that he gave the sedative to at least one woman and "other people," according to documents obtained Monday by The Associated Press.

That woman and a second woman testified in the same case that they knowingly took Quaaludes from him, according to the unsealed documents.

The Associated Press had gone to court to compel the release of the documents from the deposition in a sexual abuse lawsuit filed by former Temple University employee Andrea Constand — the first of a cascade of sexual abuse lawsuits against him. Cosby's lawyers had objected on the grounds that it would embarrass their client.

Cosby settled that lawsuit under confidential terms in 2006. His lawyers in the Philadelphia case did not immediately return phone calls. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Nuns wait for the arrival of Pope Francis in Quito on Monday. Pope Francis landed in Ecuador on Sunday to kick off his first South American trip in two years that will also take him to Bolivia and Paraguay. GETTY IMAGES/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Throngs gather for Pope's mass

ECUADOR

Francis praises families as the bedrock of human society

Hundreds of thousands of people filled a park in Ecuador's main port city Monday for Pope Francis' first big event of his three-nation South American tour, hoping for a glimpse of Latin America's first pope returning to his home soil for a mass dedicated to the family.

Many pilgrims spent the night outdoors, and some walked for miles to reach the park on Guayaquil's northern outskirts where the crowd sang hymns and sought pockets of shade to keep cool amid the scorching sun and high humidity. Firefighters sprayed them with water hoses to provide relief.

"I'm tired. I'm hungry, I haven't slept but I'm also full of emotion and joy in my heart," said Vicente Huilcatoma, a 47-year-old retired police officer who walked 40 kilometres to reach Samanes Park.

The Vatican had originally estimated more than 1 million people would turn out for the mass, and government organizers put the crowd at above 1 million people in the hour before the service began. But Gabriel Almeida, the government spokesman at the scene, rolled back the estimate to several hundred thousand after officials viewed aerial images of the area.

In his homily, Francis praised families as the bedrock of society — "the nearest hospital, the first school for the young, the best home for the elderly" — and said miracles are performed every day inside a family out of love. But he said sometimes the love and happiness runs out.

"How many women, sad and lonely, wonder when love left, when it slipped away from their lives?" he asked. "How many elderly people feel left out of family celebrations, cast aside and longing each day for a little love?"

A preliminary meeting of bishops on family issues ended last year in bitter divisions between liberals and conservatives, particularly over ministering to gays and to Catholics who divorce and remarry outside of the church. Church teaching holds that Catholics who enter into a second marriage without having the first one annulled cannot receive Communion.

In his homily Monday, Francis said he hoped the second meeting of bishops on family life, scheduled for October, would come up with "concrete solutions to the many difficult and significant challenges facing families in our time."

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> **I haven't slept but I'm also full of emotion and joy in my heart.**
> Vicente Huilcatoma

JOSEPH KONY

Fugitive African warlord is ill: Ex-rebels

The fugitive leader of the Lord's Resistance Army is sickly and in retreat from an international manhunt that includes U.S. forces, a Ugandan military spokesman said Monday, citing the accounts of recent defectors who are backing up reports that the rebel group is in decline.

Joseph Kony is possibly suffering from diabetes, according to defectors who surrendered to Ugandan troops last month in Central African Republic, said Lt. Col. Paddy Ankunda. That account is probably true, he said, because Ugandan intelligence over the years "also indicates that Kony has diabetes."

Kasper Agger, a researcher with the watchdog group Enough Project, said he receives many reports of Kony's failing health but it is impossible to verify them. The reports from defectors suggest that the apparently ill Kony "doesn't have the same willingness to fight," he said.

Although many of the defectors said Kony is suffering from diabetes, some also suggested the elusive warlord has AIDS, he said.

Kony is believed to be hiding in Kafia Kingi, a Sudanese-controlled enclave on the border of Central African Republic and South Sudan. Watchdog groups have described Kafia Kingi as a safe haven for Kony because African troops hunting for him do not have access to the territory.

The Lord's Resistance Army, which originated in Uganda in the 1980s as a tribal uprising against the government, became notorious for kidnapping children as fighters and forcing girls to be sex slaves. Kony became infamous across the world in 2012 when the advocacy group Invisible Children released an online video.

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Starbucks says it's hiking prices again beginning today with the increases ranging from 10 to 20 cents for affected brewed coffees and lattes. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

COFFEE

Starbucks hikes drink prices

Starbucks Canada will raise prices on some of its beverage sizes by 10 to 20 cents starting today.

The coffee chain says the adjustments will only apply to 10 per cent of its drinks — and won't impact some of its most popular items.

Company spokeswoman Carly Suppa says the price hikes will vary by province.

She says a brewed coffee in a Venti cup — the largest size at Canadian stores — will increase by 10 cents in some provinces.

Lattes in a Grande or Venti cup will go up by 20 cents, depending on the province.

Suppa says prices for these particular drinks haven't increased in a year-and-a-half to three years.

In the United States, Starbucks also announced separate price changes to some of its drinks.

The company says small and large coffees will each go up by 10 cents U.S. in most areas of the country.

The decision comes even as some other U.S. coffee sellers cut their prices because of declines in future prices for unroasted coffee beans.

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Crisis won't slow Greek imports

CANADIAN ECONOMY

Suppliers have stockpiles of the country's goods stored

Major Canadian importers of olive oil, sea salt, preserved vegetables and other delicacies from Greece say they've been stockpiling goods in their warehouses in anticipation that the economic turmoil overseas will get worse.

The Canadian companies say the economic crisis in Greece won't keep products off store shelves here for a while, but recent events make their preparations seem wise.

A referendum held on Sunday saw Greek citizens reject the idea of adopting more austerity measures in exchange for financial aid from the European Union. The debt-ridden country has closed its banks for six working days and imposed strict limits on cash withdrawals.

Greece's precarious financial situation may force it to abandon the euro and begin issuing its own currency.

Canadian businesses are keeping a close eye on the economic situation, but don't immediately seem to feel their bottom lines will require much extra scrutiny.

"Business as usual for us," said Miltiadis Antypas, President of Pilaros International Trading Inc. "The companies we're dealing with, most of them are multinational. They don't pay us, we pay them, so the situation is not changing for us."

The food products that companies such as Pilaros import to Canadian shores represent a significant piece of the Greek-Canadian trading relationship. According to 2014 figures posted on the country's Greek embassy website, Canada imported nearly $57 million in food products from Greece, more than double the second-largest import of base metal products.

In order to meet the demand, Antypas said his company's warehouses are currently filled with at least a five-month supply of goods such as olives and olive oil, sea salt and other products with a long shelf life.

Alex Alexakis, vice-president of Canadian operations at Krinos Foods, said his firm too has been stockpiling supplies.

"We're OK for a couple of months at least," Alexakis said.

Besieged by a prolonged recession, high unemployment and banks dangerously low on capital, Greece defaulted on repaying a loan to the International Monetary Fund last week, becoming the first developed state to do so.

Now some analysts wonder if Greece is so starved of cash that it could be forced to start issuing its own currency and become the first country to leave the 19-member eurozone since it was established in 1999.

Greece and its creditors, who will meet again today to discuss how to keep the country in the euro, remain far apart on key issues, particularly the notion of debt relief.

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AMAZON

'Prime Day' discounts mark 20th anniversary

Amazon is trying to lure more subscribers to its $99 Prime loyalty program by pushing a day of discounts it calls "Prime Day" during the sleepier summer shopping season.

The e-commerce retailer plans to offer thousands of deals on July 15 in the nine countries that have the Prime loyalty program, including the U.S., U.K., Spain, Japan, Italy, Germany, France, Canada and Austria.

The Seattle company says the promotion is pegged to its 20th anniversary, which is July 16. Amazon says there will be more deals on July 15 than on Black Friday, the busy shopping day after Thanksgiving.

Amazon doesn't release the number of Prime members it has, but Michael Pachter, an analyst at Wedbush Securities, estimates there are 35 million to 40 million.

"Black Friday is an event because it kicks off the holiday shopping season," he said. "I don't think an event in mid-July will have much impact, and view it as more of a test by Amazon during a slow period to see how a special Prime shopping day is received by its customers." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

IN BRIEF

Beef prices rise as dry farming conditions persist

The cost of beef continues to climb to new highs as dry conditions affect Canada's cattle heartland.

According to data released by Statistics Canada, the price of 100 pounds of Alberta beef at slaughter rose to $192.80 in May — a 36 per cent jump from May 2014. The high cattle prices have translated to soaring beef prices in stores, with ground beef costing $12.64 per kilogram.

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BANK OF CANADA

Businesses divided on bank's outlook report

There is a divide in business confidence across the country as low oil prices weigh on the outlook for some regions more than others, according to the latest reading from the Bank of Canada.

The summer edition of the central bank's business outlook survey suggests businesses on the Prairies expect sales to slow over the next 12 months as the oil price shock spreads across other sectors. However, the Bank of Canada says the story isn't the same across the country.

"On the other hand, domestic demand is strengthening in regions that are less exposed to the energy sector," the report said.

Overall, the survey said more firms reported sales growth accelerated over the last 12 months than those that saw growth slow, but the margin shrank compared with earlier surveys.

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the big question

How often are bomb threats credible?

Pretty rarely. For example, of 1,055 U.S. school bomb incidents from 1990-2002, only 14 (1.3 per cent) saw threats beforehand. Risk management experts Frederick Calhoun and Stephen Weston identify two types of threat-makers, who rarely overlap. "Howlers," like those who called in a string of threats to airlines this week, inflict mostly inconvenience. A full-throated police response gives these miscreants exactly what they want: Attention. Dangerous, methodical "hunters," on the other hand, generally don't advertise their plans. That would include the Winnipeg mail bomber who badly injured one woman Friday and put residents on edge, leading to more (ultimately false) suspicious-package reports. Just one notorious group was known for courtesy calls before attacks — the IRA. But they would often call in a threat, set off an explosion, then detonate secondary bombs targeting first responders. METRO

Two-wheeled steeds welcomed to big show

YOUR RIDE

Jeremy Klaszus

What a difference a year makes.

Last July, cyclists went to the Calgary Stampede and found little hospitality extended toward those on two wheels. Arriving at Stampede Park, they discovered a bike corral with no racks, inadequate bike parking at both gates and staff who were unequipped to do much but shrug.

Cyclists were left to wonder: What gives? Here you've got a massive inner-city event, in a location easily accessible by bike in an increasingly bike-friendly city, and you're more or less turning people away.

As a result, the Stampede took some heat from the city's cycling community (including this columnist).

Between then and now, things got moving. "The heat didn't hurt," acknowledges Kevin Mulligan, the Stampede's park maintenance manager. "Sometimes to get something cooking you need to use some heat … I promised myself I wasn't going to let down the cyclists this year."

Now the Stampede is sending a different message: Your two-wheeled steed is welcome here — and this time we have proper parking for you, and even the odd perk. (On Saturday, cyclists can get a free chain lube-up.)

Each gate has bike valets, staffed by volunteers and coordinated by DIG (Do It Green), a local enterprise that helps organizations become more sustainable.

For the past year, Mulligan's team has also been adding bike racks at buildings throughout the Stampede grounds to accommodate not only Stampede patrons, but staff as well.

"When you're part of the city, you want to go with where the city's going," explains Mulligan.

The Stampede now recognizes that Calgary is moving — as are cities worldwide — toward more trips by bicycle, especially with the recent opening of the new downtown cycle track network.

In fact, the 12th Avenue cycle track leads pretty much to the Stampede's doorstep.

"In my mind, that's the biggest win," says DIG co-founder Leor Rotchild. "It's a big year for biking infrastructure in Calgary and it's a sign of a changing city."

Some might see the Stampede's efforts as too little, too late, but I'm glad they're bringing themselves up to speed with festivals such as the Calgary Folk Music Festival and Sled Island, organizations that have long built bike-friendliness into their brands.

The improved setup also has the benefit of bringing new people onto the cycle tracks. "One of the coolest things was people who showed up and checked their bikes in, and said they took the cycle tracks for the first time to come here," says Rotchild, adding that families, staff and Stampede entertainers have all arrived by bike.

There's a lesson here for other organizations near the cycle tracks: If you're not embracing people who want to get to you by bike, you're missing out.

"The cycling community in Calgary is growing," says Rotchild. "Here's a great opportunity to say, 'There's now a path to our door, let's welcome our neighbours.'"

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It's about time for Calgary to hold a #SafeStampede

Emily Jackson
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The Calgary Stampede may have been established on rodeo, rides and beef-on-a-bun, but corporate-sanctioned caesars before noon can lead to a debauched 10-day bender for wannabe cowboys (regardless of gender) looking to blow off steam.

Most are respectful and jovial. But some men, instead of embodying Western hospitality, transform into dude-bros who feel entitled to disrespect or harass women. Catcalls. Ass-grabbing. Name-calling if you look less than pleased by these charming advances.

For those who question whether this is really a problem, I conducted a (very unscientific) survey of 10 female friends in their 20s and 30s, all of whom attend Stampede annually, before writing this column. Half of these women — HALF! — have been grabbed at over the years while walking through crowded party tents. The most recent incident occurred Friday at Cowboys, the club with the slogan "The most fun you can have with your boots on." A guy grabbed under a friend's skirt. I'm told he got a lecture.

I've had my butt grabbed at the Stampede twice. One time, it happened so quickly I couldn't pick the offender from the jeering herd; the other time, I was told I "overreacted" for telling the guy off.

So I tip my hat to the Calgary Stampede for jumping on the anti-sexual-harassment wagon. It's about time.

The city's top brass, including the Stampede CEO and Mayor Naheed Nenshi, quickly endorsed the #SafeStampede campaign, which was created by a group of women to encourage respect and share information about consent and sexual harassment.

Thanks for the leadership, folks. It sends a message to people attending one of Canada's largest events that harassment isn't condoned and that donning a plaid shirt and cowboy boots isn't a licence to make women feel unsafe.

Don't get me wrong, I love the Stampede (including line dancing at Cowboys after a few spiked lemonades) more than most. I return every year for the festivities even though I haven't hung my hat in Calgary for more than a decade.

But until this campaign snapped me to attention, I viewed the harassment as an irritating but inevitable part of the Stampede.

I hope this campaign will add to the culture shift away from victim-blaming and objectification. Whether it's #YesAllWomen, which highlights stories about everyday harassment, or Ontario's ongoing #WhoWillYouHelp initiative, our society seems to be more aware of sexist violence and harassment.

We don't have to be resigned to bad behaviour. It may be the Wild West, but adopting that mentality shouldn't mean accepting harassment.

Rosemary Westwood will return Wednesday.

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Amy hot enough for big screen

TRAINWRECK

Inside Amy Schumer star on her first film and fame

Richard Crouse
Metro | Life

Amy Schumer is having a fantastic year. The standup comic, television star and headline magnet is about to add movie star to her resumé.

Inside Amy Schumer, her Peabody Award-winning TV show, makes news every single week, whether it's tackling topics like high school rape culture in a Friday Night Lights takeoff or assembling a jury, à la 12 Angry Men, to debate whether Schumer is quote, hot enough, unquote, to be on television.

She's everywhere and soon she'll be on the big screen in Trainwreck, directed by comedy maestro Judd Apatow from a script by Schumer. In the most unconventional rom-com since Bridesmaids she stars as a young, promiscuous New York woman who drinks too much and finds true love despite doing everything to avoid it.

> **Because you do this work you feel proud of, I feel you're punished by having to dress up like a show poodle**
> Amy Schumer on fame

"To be me right now is very weird," she says. "It's weird, I feel like I am famous all of a sudden. I've been kind of recognizable but now it is very different and it is very new. It's overwhelming. It is a little scary. I'm on the subway and it's not like one or two people — it's like the whole car wants a picture. It's overwhelming.

"I never thought about being famous. That was never part of my thing, but once it was on the horizon as a possibility, it seemed like a real bummer. I could see there's no upside. The upside is I sometimes get free appetizers and I can get a reservation at a restaurant. I only go to one place in New York, it's a tea place, the Tea Cup, and they don't take reservations but I can make a reservation there. I swear I don't see another upside. It sucks."

As that last quote displays, Schumer's work is characterized by a lack of pretence.

"I like to get rid of artifice," she says. "I haven't gone to the bathroom in three days and I'm hungover and that's OK."

But these days she's more often than not very publicly on display.

Top, Amy Schumer with director Judd Apatow, left, and co-star Bill Hader on the set of Trainwreck, which she wrote. Bottom, Schumer in two scenes from Season 3 of Inside Amy Schumer, the finale of which airs tonight on Comedy Central. CONTRIBUTED

"It's very hard for me to be in hair and makeup all the time and clothes I don't feel comfortable in. Because you do this work you feel proud of, I feel you're punished by having to dress up like a show poodle."

Trainwreck is set in New York but not because it is the traditional home of the classic rom-coms, but because "I just don't know any other city," she says. "I am a creature of habit. I just like going to the Comedy Cellar and walking around the reservoir in Central Park."

She may be a creature of habit in her personal life, but has shaken up the formula for her first movie, although she balks at the suggestion that she switched the gender roles in the film.

> **If a guy doesn't call me back, it is a blow to the ego, but I'm not like, 'But... why? I have a great job'**
> Amy Schumer on gender roles in Trainwreck

"It was a complete surprise to me," she says. "There wasn't a thought of, 'I'm playing the male role.' It makes sense to me. I know in most movies it's not this way, but in my real life and in the lives of the women I'm close to and in this age, I've found that, as somebody who is still out there dating, that the men often times are the more vulnerable of the two and just more sensitive. Mostly about it being over. If you go out with someone once and you're just not feeling it, if a guy doesn't call me back it is a blow to the ego, but I'm not like, 'But ... why? I have a great job.'

"It's funny, I was watching The Bachelorette, I'm a fan. One of the guys was feeling rejected and he kind of turned on her. She didn't do anything to him but he was like, 'My ex-girlfriend was twice as hot as her.' I think the male ego is way more sensitive than the female ego. It was not a conscious decision to reverse the roles. That has really been my experience."

She says watching the final cut of the film and seeing the audience reaction at SXSW earlier this year "was the best night of my life so far."

"I'm already proud of the movie. The movie is already a success to me. My peers really like it and I got to give my friends work and they did great in it. Beyond that, I hope it changes the perspective of people who see it. I hope people are a little less likely to judge and women feel more empowered."

Listen to the podcast of Richard Crouse's interview with Amy Schumer at metronews.ca

Ballerina on Broadway

DIFFERENT STAGE

Misty Copeland to make debut in On the Town this summer

Ballerina Misty Copeland, who just became the first African-American woman to be a principal dancer at American Ballet Theatre, has another breakthrough planned — a debut on Broadway.

Producers of the high-energy revival of On the Town said Sunday that Copeland will join the show from Aug. 25 to Sept. 6, playing Miss Turnstiles, a love interest for one of three sailors enjoying a few hours of shore leave in 1940s New York.

"I don't know if I know what I'm in for. It's going to be a huge challenge for me. It's quite a departure from what I'm used to. But I love a challenge and I think it's going to help me grow as an artist," Copeland said.

The role requires both acting and singing, in addition to plenty of dancing, including a 15-minute ballet at the end. The role is currently filled by Megan Fairchild, a principal dancer at the prestigious New York City Ballet.

"I can carry a tune. We'll see what happens," she said. "I'm excited. I'm a Virgo and we're a little bit anal and we're definitely hard workers, so I'm going to put my all into this."

Copeland saw the show a few months ago with her boyfriend, knowing the offer of replacing Fairchild was on the table. "It's probably the best show I've ever seen, I think," she said. "I was just blown away."

The ballerina will play six performances during the eight-show week, including the Tuesday, Thursday and Friday evening shows, as well as the matinees on Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday.

Copeland has been named by Time magazine one of the most influential figures of 2015, and written both a children's book, Firebird, and a bestselling memoir, Life in Motion: An Unlikely Ballerina. She's also performed in a music video with Prince and was featured in a hugely popular online ad for Under Armour sportswear.

> "That's always been my goal: to just bring more people into (dance)."

The dancer also has appeared as a guest host on the Fox show So You Think You Can Dance and was a presenter at this year's Tony Awards. Copeland, 32, said she relishes bringing dance to an audience in any form she can.

"Whether it's Broadway or ballet, that's always been my goal: to just bring more people into it," she said. "Because I think it's so special and I think the arts can do so much for a person, not just a child. It's completely changed and altered my life in so many amazing ways."

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Misty Copeland performs in Swan Lake in Australia in 2014.
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Cymbals Eat Guitars ERIC WHITE/HANDOUT

THIRD ALBUM

Band back after 'fake' success with new sound

Cymbals Eat Guitars followed a trajectory all too familiar in the pop-music scene.

They released a hugely popular first album, suffered through some changes and a sophomore album that didn't connect with fans in quite the same way. But frontman Joseph D'Agostino didn't give up on the band, and came back with a third album, Lose, that was tremendously personal, reflecting his feelings on the death of his best friend, and the group seems poised to reestablish itself.

"Lose felt like a first record in a lot of ways," says D'Agostino. "We had a bunch of fake success on the first record, and it was fun and real in a way because we got to go around the world and play our songs, but it was fake in that once we released a second album that wasn't super hot, there was virtually no one at the shows."

Though the album has been out for a year now, the material remains as fresh as ever to perform.

"I think the first few months, it was more emotionally taxing to do. It may sound weird, but it lessens a little bit over time and it's just more fun," he says. "The songs are more fun, compositionally. The lyrics are heavy and everything, but I think getting the record out there and making it was something I had to do."

While pouring his heart out on stage can be a little scary, D'Agostino says he thinks he'll stay in that more personal track going forward. The group's recent tourmates have been an influence.

"We toured with Bob Mould a lot in September and Brand New in October," he says. "You see the way their fans react to that and identify with it."

LISA WEIDENFELD/METRO IN NEW YORK

THE INDUSTRY

Friday is the new Tuesday: Why there's no new music today

SOUND CHECK
Alan Cross

There is no new music on sale at your local record store today. There's nothing new on iTunes, either. In fact, there's no new music available pretty much anywhere in the world right now. But don't panic.

Releasing new music has always been chaotic. Once upon a time, albums came out ... whenever. Depending on the supply links to your record store and your geographic location, you might find a album on the shelves any day of the week. But this made compiling weekly sales charts difficult, so decades ago the industry decided to co-ordinate things.

If you're of — ahem — a certain age, you may remember lining up at a record store late on a Monday evening for the opportunity to buy a big album when the store reopened its doors at 12:01 a.m. Tuesday. This is because Tuesday was the designated day for new music releases in North America.

But in Britain and France, that album had already been out for 24 hours as their appointed day for new music was Monday. Japan made people wait until Wednesday. And music fans in Germany, Australia and a host of other countries either had to wait until Friday or they had already seen the record the previous week.

This wasn't a big deal when physical releases ruled. But now that music files can whip around the planet in fractions of a second, a Monday release in the U.K. can have an impact on sales in other territories. This old regimented release schedule didn't make sense anymore.

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That's why earlier this year, the 45 biggest music markets in the world — including Canada — agreed that as of Friday, July 10, new music will become available at 12:01 a.m. local time.

As this is the week when we make the transition, this is the first Tuesday in years with no new inventory for us to buy. While changing this new schedule isn't trivial (so many of the moving parts of the music industry and radio are geared to new music on Tuesdays), it's hoped that this will have a positive effect on sales.

The thinking is that releasing new material on Friday will encourage more customer traffic on the days when consumers spend the most, thereby boosting music sales. Some retailers disagree; they're afraid this will depress sales throughout the week.

The question is, in an era when everyone gets their music in so many different ways, will the public even notice?

IN BRIEF

Stingray creates streaming app for the "90 per cent"

While music fans have been walloped with an endless array of streaming options that deliver instant access to their favourite tracks, Stingray Digital says all of those services fall short of expectations.

Just a few weeks after Apple Music launched in Canada, the Montreal-based company plans to unveil its latest play for the consumer music market, a commercial-free mobile phone app called Stingray Vibes.

Unlike on-demand music services, users can't pick the specific tracks, but Stingray chief executive Eric Boyko says that's a selling point for people used to traditional radio.

"We are for 90 per cent of the population that wants non-interactive music that's very passive," Boyko said.

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Pospisil empties the tank

WIMBLEDON

Vancouverite plays 6 hours Monday, moves on to quarters

After 10 sets of tennis and a pair of marathon rallies from two sets down, Vasek Pospisil is looking forward to a day off.

The Vancouver player was on the court for almost six hours Monday as he continued his impressive run at Wimbledon. Hours after coming back from two sets down to beat Viktor Troicki in the fourth round of the men's singles, Pospisil and doubles teammate Jack Sock staged another two-set comeback before ultimately falling to Australia's John Peers and Britain's Jamie Murray.

"It was a long day, for sure," Pospisil offered as an understatement to kick off his press conference after the doubles loss. "Pretty tired right now, but I have a day off tomorrow, so that's good."

He will need all the rest he can get, as his quarter-final opponent on Wednesday is No. 3 seed and 2013 Wimbledon champion Andy Murray. The Scotsman is bound to have a loud cheering section at the All England Club.

"Obviously I played a lot of tennis, but one day recovery is a lot," Pospisil said. "So I can sleep well tonight. Just have a full day of rest tomorrow. Do a lot of recovery ... then come out strong on Wednesday and take it to him."

Vasek Pospisil returns a shot to Viktor Troicki during their fourth-round singles match on Monday in London.
JUSTIN TALLIS/AFP/GETTY IMAGES

The unseeded Canadian advanced to the men's quarter-finals after a 4-6, 6-7 (4), 6-4, 6-3, 6-3 win over Troicki, the No. 22 seed from Serbia. The match took two hours 39 minutes, and that wasn't even his longest of the day.

"It was tough. I didn't have the start I wanted to have, and then ... I got unlucky a little bit in the (second set) tiebreaker there," Pospisil said. "I made a couple of good adjustments on my return games. And even being down two sets, it didn't faze me. I feel I'm pretty tough that way. Even if I'm down, I'm always finding ways to come back."

Murray has beaten Pospisil in hard-surface tournaments at Rotterdam and Indian Wells this season, but said he is expecting a tougher challenge from Pospisil on grass. THE CANADIAN PRESS

ADDITIONAL RESULTS

Serena bests sister Venus

Serena Williams extended her mastery over big sister Venus, and kept alive her bid for Grand Slam history.

In the 26th career meeting between the siblings, Serena dominated with her steady serve and big hitting from the back of the court to win 6-4, 6-3, extending her Grand Slam winning streak to 25 matches.

Also advancing to the quarter-finals was Roger Federer, who beat 20th-seeded Roberta Bautista Agut 6-2, 6-2, 6-3. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WOMEN'S WORLD CUP

Tourney's presence felt online, in ratings

The numbers show the Women's World Cup was embraced at home and around the globe.

TV records were set on both sides of the Canada-U.S. border.

Twitter says tweets about the soccer tournament were viewed nine billion times, with the U.S. dominating the conversation.

Sunday's final between the U.S. and Japan led the Twitter buzz with other U.S. games as well as tight knockout-round contests between Japan and England and Germany and France also drawing significant traffic.

20M

The number of Facebook interactions about the Women's World Cup

The top six tournament players on Twitter were all from the U.S. team: Julie Johnston, Carli Lloyd, Alex Morgan, Megan Rapinoe, Hope Solo and Abby Wambach.

TSN says Sunday's final, won 5-2 by the U.S., averaged 2.1 million viewers according to preliminary figures — making it the most-watched Women's World Cup final for a Canadian audience. Some 7.7 million viewers tuned in at some point, with the average audience peaking at 2.8 million for the final minute of the game.
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Megan Rapinoe, right, celebrates with the trophy alongside American teammate Meghan Klingenberg, left, on Sunday in Vancouver.
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MLB

Sale's K-rate slows in win over Jays

Chris Sale's bid for a record strikeout streak ended, but he pitched a six-hitter that led the Chicago White Sox past the Toronto Blue Jays 4-2 Monday night in the fastest major league game in almost four years.

Sale (7-4) had struck out at least 10 batters in eight straight starts, matching the major league mark set by Pedro Martinez in 1999.

The White Sox ace fanned six in a complete game, outpitching former mentor Mark Buehrle (9-5), who also went the distance. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ALL-STAR NEWS

Canadian Russell Martin and Jose Bautista of the Blue Jays have been selected as reserves for the all-star game. They'll join teammate Josh Donaldson on July 14 in Cincinnati.

IN BRIEF

Matthias signs with Leafs

The Toronto Maple Leafs signed centre Shawn Matthias to a one-year contract Monday.

The 27-year-old native of Mississauga, Ont., had 18 goals and nine assists in 78 games last season with the Vancouver Canucks.

Matthias was drafted by the Detroit Red Wings in the second round of the 2006 NHL Entry Draft.

He has 131 points (69-62) over 408 career regular-season games.
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NBA

Raptors lure home point guard Joseph

Canadian guard Cory Joseph has agreed to a contract with the Toronto Raptors.

The Pickering, Ont., native agreed to a four-year contract worth $30 million US, according to multiple media reports.

Deals can't become official until Thursday, when the NBA's free-agency moratorium ends.

The 23-year-old, who was taken 29th overall in the 2011 NBA draft, spent his first four NBA seasons with the San Antonio Spurs, helping them win the league title in 2014.

Joseph played in 79 games this past season with the Spurs, averaging 6.8 points, 2.4 rebounds and 2.4 assists.
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"#WeTheNorth here I come!!!!!"

A tweet by Cory Joseph, @Cory_Joe

RECIPE Pasta with Roasted Tomatoes and Asiago Cheese

EAT LIGHT AT HOME

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The juiciness of the roasted tomatoes adds flavour without using excess oil. This recipe serves six.

Ready in
Prep time: 15 minutes
Cook time: 15 minutes

Ingredients
- 3/4 cup red cherry tomatoes, sliced in half
- 3/4 cup yellow cherry tomatoes, sliced in half
- 2 tsp olive oil
- 1 tsp minced garlic
- Salt and pepper
- 1/4 cup seasoned bread crumbs
- 8 oz whole wheat penne
- 3/4 cup grated Asiago or Parmesan cheese
- 1/4 cup dried basil

Directions
1. Preheat oven to 400 F. Spray a 9" baking dish with vegetable spray.
2. Add tomatoes, olive oil, garlic and salt and pepper. Sprinkle with bread crumbs. Bake for 15 minutes.
3. Meanwhile, cook pasta in boiling water until still firm to the bite. Drain, place in serving bowl, and add tomato mixture with cheese and basil.

Nutrition per serving
- Calories 250
- Carbohydrates 27g
- Fibre 5g
- Protein 13g
- Fat 9g
- Saturated Fat 3.5g
- Cholesterol 15mg
- Sodium 290mg

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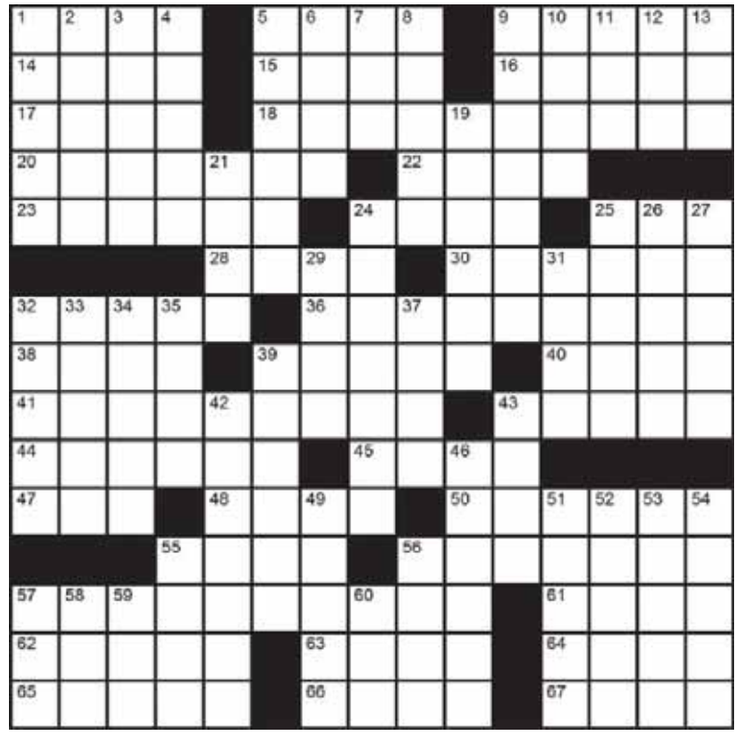

ACROSS
1. "Rio _" (1970) starring John Wayne
5. Scooby- and Ski-
9. Old Testament hymn
14. Thunderstruck
15. Carve in a name
16. Shakespearean tragedy, _ and Juliet
17. Look _ (Investigate)
18. School's formal meeting place
20. Investment goals
22. Cleave
23. Rehearsal: 2 wds.
24. First Nation of Manitoba
25. Palindromic honorific
28. Art for Jean Arp
30. Pilotless aircrafts
32. Receded, as tidewater
36. The famous 'waterspout' spider's size: 2 wds.
38. Carnivore's craving
39. Rocker David
40. Low-cal
41. Sailing: Twin-hulled boat
43. Valuable virtue
44. Father of Geometry of ancient Greece
45. Exited
47. Shakespearean suffix
48. Head's holder
50. Canuck coin
55. Wistful utterance
56. Young tree
57. Douglas Fir west of Pemberton, British Columbia, which at 1,000 years old, is amongst the oldest living trees in Canada: 2 wds.
61. The Kinks hit
62. Clunker
63. Scientist's solution holder
64. On the Serta, say
65. Castle bridges cross them
66. Uptight
67. Hobby shop items

DOWN
1. "Mission: Impossible" theme music composer Mr. Schifrin
2. '70s Spanish hit: "_ Tu"
3. "Thank You" songstress
4. Pretzels brand
5. Village in the Lower North Shore region of Quebec
6. Gradually diminish
7. Block' suffix
8. Rapper, _ Kim
9. Yalie
10. Pres. Obama's former title
11. Inuit craft
12. Accustom
13. Kitchen gadget
18. _-sized (Small)
22. "What _ _ to do?"
23. Gardening tool
24. _ leg (Pants part)
25. _-annonce (Movie trailer, in French)
26. Stair part
27. Univ. web address word, sometimes
28. Scholarly deg.
29. Luxe-living magazine, _ Report
30. "Not _ _ many words."
33. "Boy _ World" ('90s TV series)
34. Paddled
35. Restaurant chain, with Bell
36. All square
40. 'Lion' suffix
42. Opera singer Ms. Grist
43. Summer hrs. in Ottawa
44. Newfoundland: L'Anse aux Meadows historic people
45. U.S. tax bureau
48. Talent
49. Hankers
50. Had
51. Fidgety
52. "Yees!" opposite
55. Plant's beginning
56. Chooses
57. Dog training command
59. Assoc.
60. Buddy
61. Jeff Lynne's gr.
62. American airer since '71
63. French vineyard

IT'S ALL IN THE STARS by Sally Brompton

Aries March 21 - April 20
Loved ones may not have been supportive of late but don't worry about it — it does not mean they are turning against you. They have had so many worries of their own to contend with, that's all.

Taurus April 21 - May 21
Life may be fun at the moment but you still need to tighten your belt and not waste money on things you don't really need. You may be expecting to come into some cash but don't spend it before it's arrived.

Gemini May 22 - June 21
Try not to take anything too seriously today. With so many changes taking place in your world you need to make a conscious effort to stay calm and be flexible in your approach to life's little problems.

Cancer June 22 - July 23
Mars in your sign gives you loads of energy, so if there is anything that needs doing get on it. When dealing with difficult people remember that some respond best to reason and some respond best to pressure

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23
Don't push yourself too hard today, even if you are behind in your workload. You will catch up with ease later in the month, so there is no need to worry.

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
Your emotions are so powerful at the moment that every little thing seems like life and death, but a few days from now you will get a new and more positive perspective on life, so give yourself time and stop being such a diva.

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
This is a busy week for those born under the sign of the Scales, so pace yourself and be selective in your goals. If you throw yourself at every new challenge that comes your way your energy will soon disappear.

Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
You will soon get the chance to move up in the world but first you need to convince yourself that you are worthy of success. Believe in yourself and the world will too.

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
You need to get your feelings off your chest and let certain people know that you don't care in the slightest what they say or do or think about you. That might sound a bit extreme but it's the only approach they understand.

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
You may have to endure one or two setbacks today but don't let them unsettle you. Above all, don't lose your temper with people whose support you are going to need.

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
One-to-one relationships, both at home and at work, are going very well for you now and if you are smart you will make the most of it. In all situations you will know just what to say or do.

Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
You may need to shut yourself away from all possible distractions for a few hours today, especially if you want to finish a task that has been dragging. With Mars in your favour you can and you must get it done.

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